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1. 10/28/23, Sevljus, Czechoslovakia,
I was in Budapest, 1942-1944, until the
Germans took me to Gödöllo not far from
Budapest. We were working in the trenches
for a few weeks. Then they took us back to
Budapest to a brick factory. I do not recall
what we did there. From there we marched
for a few weeks to the German border
where they put us on a cattle train to
Ravensbrück. When we arrived to Ravensbrück,
they put us in a cell, with no beds — laying
on the floor for a few days. After that
they put us in another cell #21 which had
bunk beds. In the mornings, we were placed
in lines to be counted (appel (sp)). I was
taken to a clinic for experimental checkups.
We were given small portions of bread and soup.
The SS guards were brutal and mistreated
us. They threatened us all the time.

We used to walk for miles to work on a boat where we unloaded vegetables. We walked in the snow in wooden boots and the snow would be heavy on the boots making it difficult to walk. The SS guards would hit us because we didn't move fast enough for them. I don't recall how long I stayed in Ravensbrück.

I don't remember how I was selected to go to Burgau. I do remember traveling by train. From Burgau we went to Turkheim. I marched from Turkheim for a few miles when 7 of us escaped and spent approximately 3 or 4 days ~~in~~ hidden in a pig sty. When we heard the ~~the~~ shooting stop around us, we walked back to Turkheim and the American soldiers were there and liberated us.

We emigrated to Cuba in 1948 and then to America in 1950.

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